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SYNCHRONIZATION OF DISPLAY INDICIA ON STANDALONE GAMING MACHINES

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## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of generating one of a plurality of display indicia on a gaming machine in synchronization with an adjacent gaming machine, the gaming machine including a display, an emitter a plurality of emitters, and a sensor plurality of sensors, the method comprising:

of sensors wherein the one of the plurality of sensors is positioned proximally to

an the emitter of the adjacent gaming machine[,]; and

in response to the first signal, generating the <u>one of the plurality of</u> display indicia on the display and emitting a second signal from <u>one of</u> the <u>plurality of</u> emitters, <u>wherein</u> the one of the <u>plurality of display indicia</u> is selected from the <u>plurality of display indicia</u> based on which of the <u>plurality of sensors detects</u> the first signal.

- (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including:
   detecting a game-related event in a game executed on the gaming machine; and
   in response to the game-related event, emitting the second signal from the one of the
   <u>plurality of emitters</u>.
- (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further including in response to the gamerelated event, generating other another display indicia of the plurality of display indicia on the display.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the game-related event is a bonus feature.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the display includes a plurality of lamps, and wherein the step of generating the one of the plurality of display indicia includes sequentially flashing the lamps.

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